

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 651 – SB 1116

February 3, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a motor vehicle dealer or manufacturer of motor vehicles sold or leased in this state from selling, or offering for sale, to a consumer a subscription service to access a motor vehicle feature that: (1) uses components or hardware that were installed on the motor vehicle at the time of purchase or lease by the consumer; and (2) after activation of the motor vehicle feature, functions without ongoing expense to the motor vehicle dealer, manufacturer, or a third-party service provider. Establishes a violation of such is an unfair and deceptive act or practice under the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977*.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Any increase in the number of complaints handled by the Attorney General (AG) is estimated to be not significant and can be handled by existing staff during normal work hours.
- Committing an unfair or deceptive practice under the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977* is a Class B misdemeanor offense.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.
- Any additional AG duties resulting from the proposed legislation will be absorbed using existing resources.
- Any additional workload on the courts, as a result of this legislation, can be accommodated within existing resources and personnel.
- Based on the Fiscal Review Committee's 2008 study and the Administrative Office of the Courts' 2012 study on collection of court costs, fees, and fines, collection in criminal cases is insignificant. The proposed legislation will not significantly change state or local revenue.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- Any impact to commerce or jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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